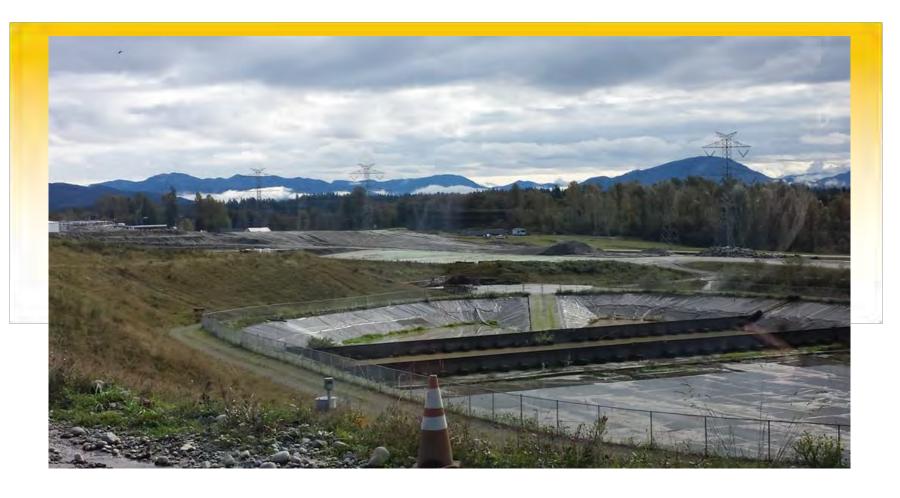


Cedar Hills Landfill

TRUE OR FALSE Quiz





Landfills are designed to protect the environment.





Water that takes up particles and dissolved materials as it passes through the garbage is called leachate.





The Cedar Hills Landfill generates methane gas, all of which is flared into the atmosphere.



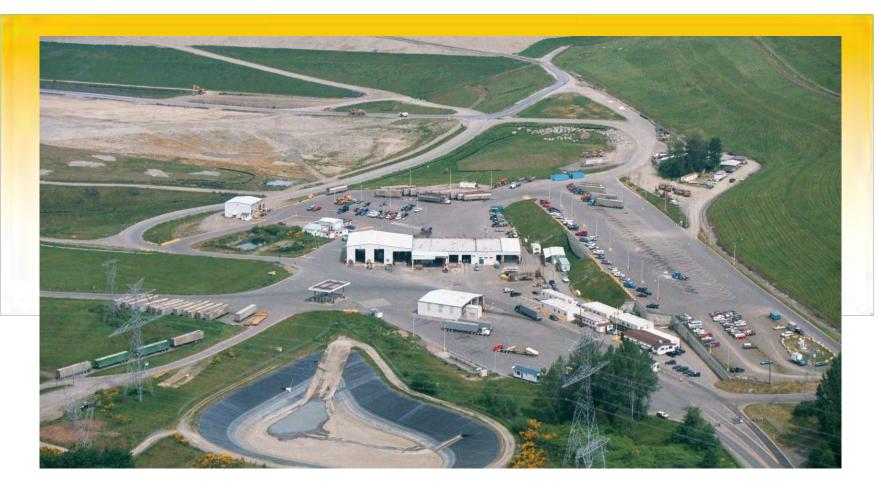
The landfill creates enough gas to power 27,000 homes in the area for the next 30 years.





Collecting landfill gas and converting it to reusable fuel keeps greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere.



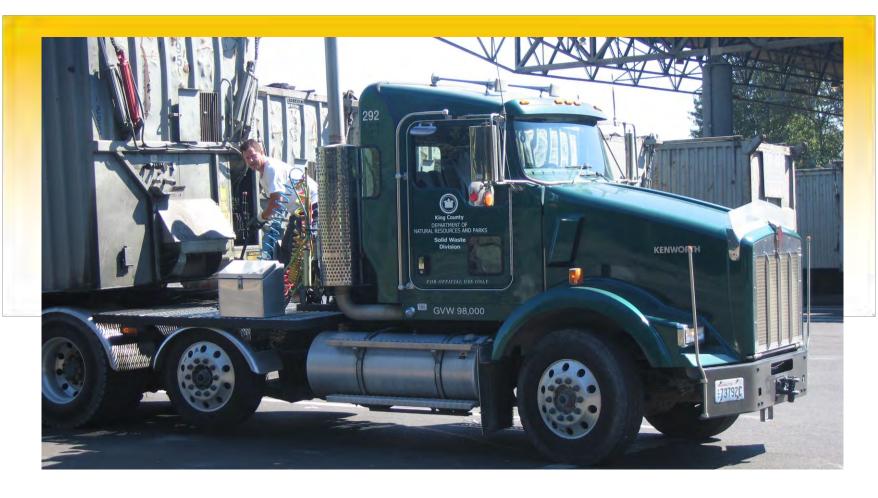


The Cedar Hills landfill, which opened in 1965, was originally scheduled to close in 2012.

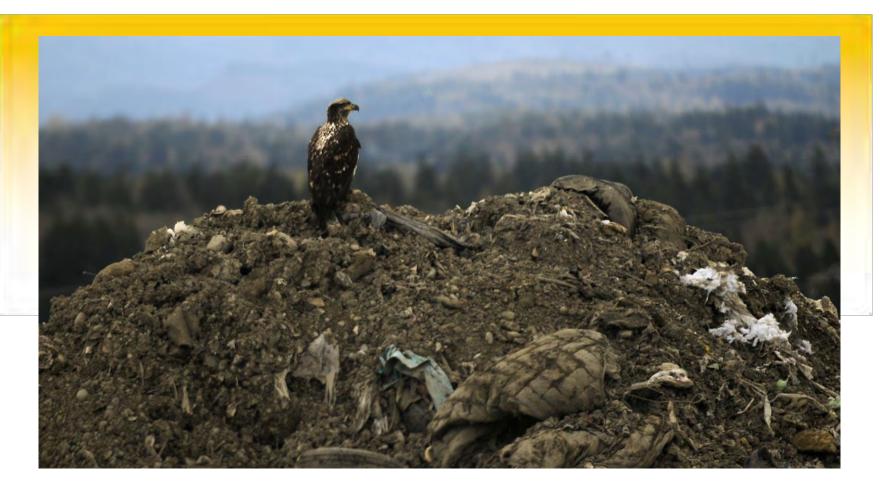


The landfill spans 920 acres, all of which are used to store garbage.





Garbage is trucked to the landfill from a system of transfer stations around the county.



Once garbage is deposited at the landfill, it sits there without further processing.





Approximately 70 percent of items sent to the landfill could be recycled or composted.





By keeping as much as possible out of the landfill through waste prevention, recycling, and composting, King County residents can extend the life of the landfill even beyond the anticipated closure date of 2025.





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